

## **NEW MEXICO FAMILY PLANNING DEMONSTRATION**

### **FACT SHEET**

**Name of Family Planning Section 1115 Demonstration:** New Mexico Family Planning

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### **PROGRAM SUMMARY**

As of March 31, 2003, waiver eligibles were 32,033 woman of childbearing age. Since the implementation of the waiver, the number of eligible participants per month has steadily increased. In the most recent quarter reported (January through March, 2003) eligibles increased from January (31,565) and February (31,780) to the present level.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

This program provides coverage for family planning services for three years to women of child-bearing age (19 – 44) with family income at or below 185% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

### **OBJECTIVES OF THE DEMONSTRATION**

The goals of the New Mexico program are: to reduce pregnancy and birth rates within the low-income population of the state, improve access to high quality FP services for low-income women, reduce Medicaid costs associated with unintended pregnancies, utilize effective outreach programs to enhance awareness and need for available FP services, utilize care coordination services to assist women with choosing a FP method

and a means for consistently using the method, and to ensure that education is communicated in a meaningful and understandable way to women.

### **FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES**

Family planning services provided under this waiver are: the same as current Medicaid FP services. These include:

- All FDA-approved birth control methods, devices, and supplies;
- FP initial visits, annual visits, and periodic revisits;
- HIV pre- and post-test counseling visits;
- Laboratory screenings as indicated;
- Emergency services directly related to the contraceptive method and follow-up;
- Pregnancy testing and counseling;
- Prevention and treatment of sexually transmitted infections;
- Male and female sterilization; and
- Reproductive health education and counseling services

Physician, hospital, laboratory and pharmaceutical costs for FP services are reimbursed fee for service. An exception is that oral contraceptives must be distributed by the enrolled provider.

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